

24885A

REMARKS**Status of Claims**

Claims 1-14 are pending in the instant application. Claims 1-3, 5-10, 12 and 14 stand rejected; Claims 4, 11 and 13 stand objected to. Favorable reconsideration is respectfully requested in light of the following remarks.

Rejection Under 35 U.S.C. §102(e)

Claims 1-3, 5-10, 12 and 14 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) as being anticipated by U.S. Publication No. 2002/0057340 to Fernandez et al.

Without admission of the merits of this rejection, in order to expedite allowance of the instant case, Applicants have amended the allowable claims to independent form, as suggested by the examiner. Accordingly, Applicants believe that the amended newly independent claims 4, 11, and 13 are now in condition for allowance. Applicants have canceled claims 1, 3, 8, 10, and 12. Note applicants acknowledge the Examiners' renumbering of the original claims 12, second instance, and 13, in the response dated Sept 26, 2003; and this is the first amendment of currently-numbered claims 13 and 14.

Applicants have further amended previously submitted dependent claims 2, 5 and 6 to depend from amended allowable claim 4, and claim 9 to depend from allowable amended claim 11. Further, claim 7 depends from claim 5, which depends from amended allowable claim. Currently-numbered claim 14 has been amended to depend from amended allowable claim 13. Therefore, Applicants believe that all remaining claims are in condition for allowance.

24885A

Claim Objections

The Examiner indicated claims 4, 11 and 13 are objected to for depending from a rejected base claim. Due to the remarks above, Applicants believe the base claims are allowable, and therefore the objections have been overcome.


CONCLUSION

Applicants submit that all remaining claims are allowable. The Examiner is invited to telephone the Applicants' undersigned agent at (740) 321-7167 if any unresolved matters remain.

If any questions should arise with respect to the above Remarks, or if the Examiner requires additional information or has any comments or suggestions to place the claims in better condition for allowance, it is requested that the Examiner contact Applicants' attorney at the number listed below.

Applicants authorize any fees required pertaining to this response be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-0568.

Respectfully submitted,



James J. Dottavio
Registration No. 40,360

Date: 4-6-04
Law Dept./Attn. Docket Administrator
Owens-Corning
2790 Columbus Road, Building 11
Granville, Ohio 43023
(740) 321-7167

24885A

Version showing changes made to Claims

1. Canceled
2. (Currently Amended) The system of claim [1] 4, wherein said data from at least one sensor includes at least one of environmental data, equipment data, and structural data.
3. Canceled
4. (Currently Amended) A system for monitoring a house comprising:
a sensor component that receives data from at least one sensor located in the house, said at least one sensor monitoring at least one of an appliance, structural element, and environmental condition;
an analysis component that analyses said data and converts said data into status information, said analysis component storing said data and status information to develop historical information, said historical information relating to said at least one of an appliance, structural element, and environmental condition; and
a customer interface component that enables a customer to access said generated data, previous historical information, and said status information via an online customer user interface [The system of claim 3], said customer interface component further enabling [enables] a customer to access warranty information corresponding to said at least one of an appliance, structural element, and environmental condition.
5. (Currently Amended) The system of claim [1] 4, wherein said customer interface component enables a customer to access information related to potential problems in the house.

24885A

6. (Currently Amended) The system of claim [1] 4, further comprising:
a service component that advises a customer on said generated data.
7. (Original) The system of claim 5, wherein said service component recommends actions to the customer based on said at least one of said generated data and said status information.
8. Canceled
9. (Currently Amended) The method of claim [8]11, wherein said step of generating status information includes analyzing the monitored data relative to standards and previous historical information.
10. Canceled
11. (Currently Amended) A method of providing information to a customer, the method comprising the steps of:
receiving monitored data from a sensor located in a customer home, the sensor monitoring at least one of an appliance, a structural element, and an environmental condition;
generating status information representative of the monitored data;
storing the monitored data and status information to develop historical information;
transmitting the monitored data and the status information to a customer via an online customer user interface, wherein the customer has access to the historical information; and
[The method of claim 10, further comprising the step of:]

24885A

providing a customer with access to warranty information corresponding to said at least one of an appliance, a structural element, and an environmental condition.

12. Canceled

13. (Currently Amended) A method of monitoring a house, the method comprising the steps of:

receiving monitored data for a plurality of items in a customer home, said monitored data being generated by one or more sensors located in the customer home;

determining whether the monitored data for any of the items indicates a potential problem;

notifying a customer of the status of the potential problem; and

transmitting the monitored data [The method of claim 12, wherein said step of transmitting the monitored data includes transmitting] , including warranty information, [for each of the items via the online customer interface.] and the status information for each of the items to a customer via an online customer user interface.

14. (Previously Amended) The method of claim [12] 13, further comprising the step of:

advising a customer of recommended services corresponding to the potential problem.